From the Principal

New Class Teacher
Over the next two weeks we are undertaking interviews at the school to appoint a new class teacher to our Support Class ED. Mrs Davy who has taught on the class for the past two and a half years will be having her second baby soon, and she has decided that she would like to spend more time at home with her children. Mrs Davy remains employed at the school until the end of the school year (although she will be on maternity leave throughout this time). The newly appointed teacher will officially commence teaching the Support Class in January 2014.

Welcome to Kylie Smith
We have been fortunate to secure the talents of Kylie Smith who has been employed to cover Mrs Davy’s maternity leave in the Support Class ED. Kylie comes to us from Moree where she was previously working at Barwon Learning Centre, a school for specific purposes.

“My passion is to ensure that all students feel confident and empowered by including them as being part of the family here at Lismore Heights Public School. I believe learning can be fun and exciting and I keep that attitude as the focus in my classroom. My philosophy for education is that every child has the right to learn, and it is our job as teachers to ensure that all students are successful.” Kylie Smith

Student Reports
Student will be handed their Semester 1 Reports next week. The reports are designed to provide parents with an update on how their children are progressing at school, in terms of their application, academic achievements and behaviour. Please take the time to talk with your child about their reports. Showing a keen interest in your child’s education reinforces for them the importance of being at school and doing their best. It is only when schools and families work together that we can make a real difference to the outcomes for our students. Thank you for your ongoing support.

P&C Skate Night
Our skate night is on Wednesday 18 June from 5pm. The cost is $5 per child (to be paid at the skating rink) and skate hire is $2. P&C volunteers will be cooking up a storm on the BBQ, so come on over for dinner while the kids enjoy the skating fun.

Mark Scotton

Next Friday afternoon is Jump Rope for Heart jump off. Starting at 2.40pm until 3.10pm. If children have any sponsor money already collected please return to the school office.
Thanks
Maree Davey
**Week 8 Focus Rule**

**BE SAFE**

**OUT OF BOUNDS**

Could you talk to your children about ‘Being Safe’ and staying in bounds at LHPS. It is expected that all students stay in bounds when playing and transitioning around the school for their own safety. The boundaries are there so teachers can visually see all students on the playground at all times.

The PBL team thank you for your support at home and reminding your children of the importance in following our core rules.

**Be SAFE, Be Respectful and Be a Learner**

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**Debating**

On Thursday 12 June Lismore Heights hosted the local final of the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition. Students came from schools right across the region to participate.

Ziggy, Asia, Brooke and Asha all represented our school with skill, confidence and pride. Asia and Asha were awarded “Highly Commended” in their respective divisions. Blake, Katana, Kayla and Mia were wonderful ambassadors for our school in their roles of chairperson, timekeeper and ushers. A big thank you and congratulations to all involved.

*Maree Jameson.*

**Care Packages**

G’day to all children, parents and teachers of Lismore Heights Public School.

My name is John and I am currently serving in Kabul Afghanistan. I am the vehicle mechanic for Force Support Unit 9. Being the only mechanic I am responsible for looking after all the vehicles servicing and repair needs. The job can be quite challenging, especially when a vehicle is required for a mission, and you have to work through the night in order for the vehicle to roll out on the mission.

I would like to say a big thank you to all. It’s fantastic that all of you took the time to put together this care package.

Your care package arrived just in time. If you remember earlier that I said sometimes I have to work all night so vehicles can be used on a mission. I was working back one night on a vehicle when your care package arrived. As the night wore on, I had a couple of cups of hot chocolate and some ANZAC biscuits out of the care package. That kept me going so I could finish the repairs. Thanks again from a very grateful soldier.

*CPL J.D Prowse*

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**One misty morning in the playground**